CHAPTER 173
THE LAST BATTLE VII
THIS MUST BE ILE X FOREST.
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ZAAR
DAAT
I MUST HURRY!
I MUST GET TO THE HEART OF THIS FOREST, FAST!

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR THE SHRINE?
!!

BUT WHERE'RE YOU GONNA FIND IT?
ZAAAR
ZAAAR
THIS FOREST IS A GIANT MAZE. IT WON'T BE EASY LOOKING FOR ANYTHING.

SNUBBULL, OVER THERE!! SCARY FACE!!
LEAP
BAASH
ZAWAW
SO, YOU'VE FOUN US..

ZAW
ON TOP OF THAT, AFTER SNUBBULL'S SCARY FACE...
...KAREN'S UMBREON CAN'T MOVE.
ZAW ZAW
DAN
YOUR VOICE WAS WHAT ATTRACTED HER ATTENTION, WILL!
WOAH... YOU'RE RIGHT!
ZAA
ASH
YOU'RE..!
I GUESS YOU COULD SAY THAT THIS IS THE FIRST TIME WE'VE SEEN EACH OTHER.
BUT I STILL RECOGNIZE YOU BY SMELL!
LIKE US, YOU'RE ONE OF THE MASKED KIDS!
AND WE HAVE BEEN LOOKING FOR YOU.
GREEN OF PALLET TOWN!!
GRR
UMBREON, FAINT ATTACK!!
GA
AARG
AFTER CHARMING.
TAKE DOWN!!
ZAA
DONG

WOW..I'M IMPRESSED!
BUT NO MATTER WHAT, YOU'RE NOT GETTING PAST US. RIGHT, KAREN?
TOT!
AND TONIGHT, WE'LL BE WITNESSES TO HOW MAN CAN CONTROL TIME!
THUS, WE CAN'T ALLOW YOU TO GET ANY CLOSER TO THE FOREST'S SHRINE!!
OF COURSE!
WE'VE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO GUARD THIS PLACE BY THE MASK OF ICE HIMSELF.
CONTROL TIME...
I KNEW IT!!
HEH! YOU KNEW IT?!
OF COURSE, THAT'S WHY YOU'RE HERE!
IN THAT CASE,
..IT WASN'T AN ACCIDENT..
BSAAAAAAAAAR
..THAT YOU STOLE THE FEATHER WHEN YOU ESCAPED?!

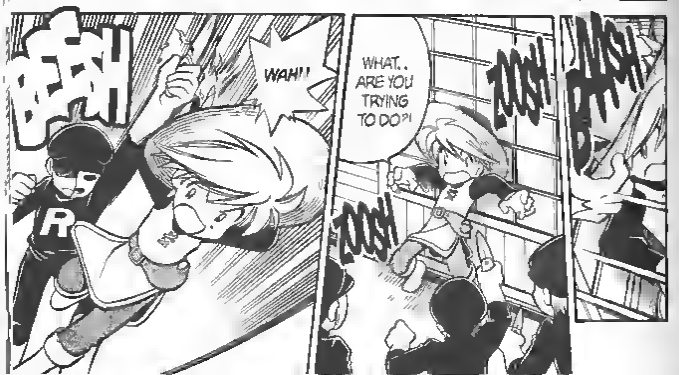
OH!!
...NO !!
BIRD!!
ZOOOOM
ARRGGHH !!
HA HA HA, YOU'RE NOT GOING ANY-WHERE
PSYCHIC!!
STOOM
THE MASKED MAN WAS RUNNING OUT OF TIME AND YET...
. HE HAD TO SPEND YEARS TRYING TO RE-CAPTURE HO-OH AND LUGIA JUST TO GET THE FEATHERS AGAIN! HAHAHA!!
THE MASKED MAN WAS REALLY FURIOUS WHEN YOU STOLE THE TWO FEATHERS !!
HE SAID HE WOULD HUNT YOU DOWN !!
BEESHBASH

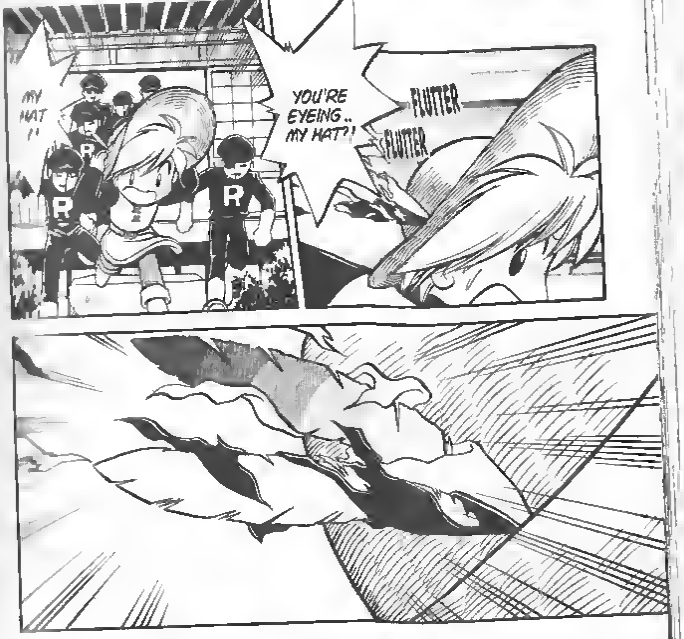
HE REALLY NEEDED THE RAINBOW AND SILVER FEATHER SO AS TO CONTROL TIME!
BBASH
SHIVER
SHIVER
THAT'S WHY WE'VE BEEN ORDERED TO STAND GUARD HERE!
WE'RE SUPPOSED TO KEEP YOU AWAY FROM THE SHRINE!
IN NO TIME, THE MAN HIMSELF WILL BE HERE WITH THE COMPLETED POKÉBALL THAT CAN CAPTURE EVEN TIME!
THE PLAN IS FOOLPROOF, SAY FOR THE PRESENCE OF ONE PERSON!
DONG
AND THAT PERSON IS YOU! THE ONE WHO HOLDS THE TWO FEATHERS!!
ARGH
FLASH
NOW THAT WE'VE FOUND YOU..
BE GOOD AND WE'LL TREAT YOU WELL!
AFTER ALL, WE WERE ALL MASKED KIDS NOW HAND OVER THE FEATHERS!
HUFF PUFF..YOU WERE WAITING HERE JUST TO GET THE FEATHERS BACK?
YEAH!
MY APOLOGIES THEN
COZ' THEY'RE NOT WITH ME!
YUP!
I'VE HIDDEN THEM IN A VERY SAFE PLACE.
OH AR ALL LISTEN ..ZZZ BZZZ
BZZZ.. SOMETHING.. GZZZ.. ZZZ.. ZZZ..

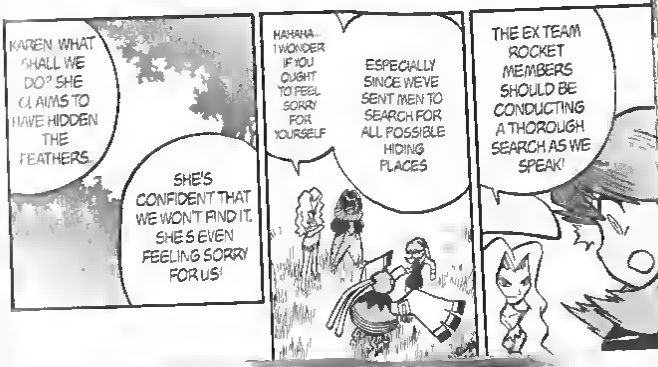
TEAM ROCKET MEMBERS... GZZZ... HALF MASKS... BZZ... INTO THE STADIUM...
EXACTLY WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE STADIUM?! JASMINE! JASMINE!
KANG
CALM DOWN, GRANNY
IT MENTIONED TEAM ROCKET MEMBERS
AND HALF MASKS TOO..
MAYBE THEY LOOKED LIKE THEM.
YEAH.. MAYBE ...
BZZZ
DEEP BEEP
OZZ
BZZZ
WHAT?!

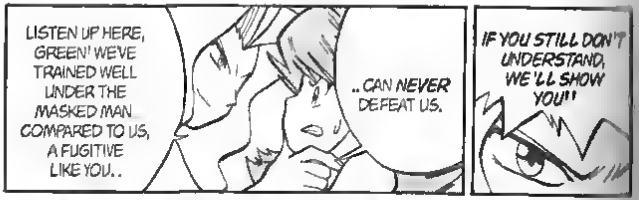
WHY ARE THE INTRUDERS AT THE STADIUM HERE INSTEAD?!
NO MATTER WHAT, WE MUST PROTECT GRAMPS AND GRAN!
ZAW ZAW ZAWRAW
PIKA! CHUCHU!!
?!
!!
THEY CAN'T FIGHT WHILE THEY'RE PROTECTING THE EGG!
UNCLE, PLEASE ESCAPE WITH GRAMPS AND GRANS FIRST! I'LL HOLD THEM..
OKAY !!
PIKA, CHUCHU, YOU'LL PROTECT THE EGG THEN!
BOOMBOOM

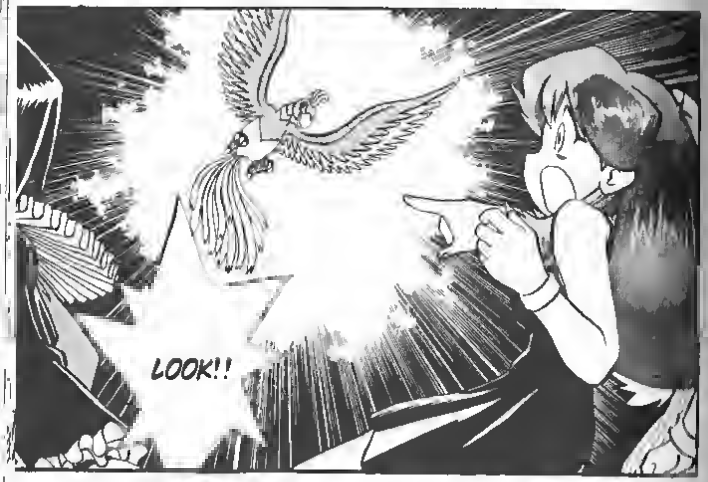
ZOOM
WOAW
TAT
GREAT! I THINK THEY'VE MADE IT TO SAFETY!


BEEH
WAH!!
WHAT.. ARE YOU TRYING TO DO?!
ZOOSH
ZOOSH
BASH


MY HAT!!
YOU'RE EYEING.. MY HAT?!
FLUTTER
FLUTTER


KAREN WHAT SHALL WE DO? SHE CLAIMS TO HAVE HIDDEN THE FEATHERS.
SHE'S CONFIDENT THAT WE WON'T FIND IT. SHE'S EVEN FEELING SORRY FOR US!
HAHAHA... I WONDER IF YOU OUGHT TO FEEL SORRY FOR YOURSELF
ESPECIALLY SINCE WE'VE SENT MEN TO SEARCH FOR ALL POSSIBLE HIDING PLACES
THE EX TEAM ROCKET MEMBERS SHOULD BE CONDUCTING A THOROUGH SEARCH AS WE SPEAK!


LISTEN UP HERE, GREEN! WE'VE TRAINED WELL UNDER THE MASKED MAN. COMPARED TO US, A FUGITIVE LIKE YOU..
..CAN NEVER DEFEAT US.
IF YOU STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND, WE'LL SHOW YOU!!


LOOK!!

AH...
AH... AHH...
IT'S ON LOAN FROM THE MASKED MAN! HE SAYS WE CAN PLAY WITH THE BIRDS SINCE HE NO LONGER NEEDS THEM.
C'MON, TAKE A GOOD LOOK!!
NO...
NO...

I CAN SENSE YOUR FEAR!! AFTER ALL, IT'S THE SAME BIRD POKÉMON THAT TOOK YOU AWAY FROM EVERYTHING YOU HAD!!
THE BIRD POKÉMON! THE REASON FOR YOUR MISERY NOW... ALL THAT MISERY IS NOW BEFORE YOUR EYES!!

DROWN IN YOUR SORROW!
DROWN IN THE PAST! THE PAST YOU HATE!!

NOOOO!!